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File No. 276

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Mysore Residency

Pros. Serial Nos. 3 – 16

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Subject.

Military roads reverted to military control after six years.

Previous References.	Later References.

S. 37. (Blue.)

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Roles No 276 of 1885

RESIDENT'S OFFICE

OFFICE NOTE.

FILE No. 276. 1885

I want information about roads in the C & M. Roles which ~~being~~ I am kept up by the Military authorities & what by the Municipality? any orders there may be about construction & repairs &c—

Olg
22/10/

Please see Office note in File 276/1885 which puts an account of the roads in the C. & M. Claim Pl 1/a in that file contains

a list of all roads made
over & the Municipality of
the Civil Dept Madras
During 1888-89 Rs. 13146 was
spent on Cantonment roads
Rs. 806 on Suburban roads &
Rs 3200 on Civil: roads. See
pages 48 & 50 & 58 of Municipal
report for 1888-89
Attention is also respectfully
invited to what was said
at the meeting of the Comm^rs on
the 28. Sep. last by Mr. Gibson the
Board's Engineer in reply to a
question put to him by the Chair
said. that there were no materials
to go on with the repairs & that
they (the Contractors?) were
short supplied.

Pages 245 details proceedings put up below.

23.10.89

From a conversation with Mr Price I find that the system of road repairs was changed at the beginning of the current year & are now entrusted to contractors who is paid for each job as might be expected the system has not been done. The contractor, having to make as much money as possible has only done what he might & consequently has not attended to repairs when they came due & was not ready to return to the old system or something like it is now receiving. Let me see directions & Imperial P.W.D. rules

Oly
21/10/

The Insp P.W. Code is submitted
Cant & Wr. Declarations Appn
for the Madras Code

The Brigadier General in his
letter received today
brings to notice the state
of the roads in the Station
and says he has never seen
a Cantonment in India
in which the condition of
the roads is so much neglected

Submitted

14.26. Oct. 89

Forwarded copy of
S. & C. Circ. to
Presidency Municipal
Committee for info.
Matter regarding Rd

that Resident agrees with Sir. Bergrath that the roads have not been kept in proper state of repairs. Resident believes that the roads have ~~repaired~~ been repaired & extract for the first time this year

O.M.
29/10

Dft subd for approval

H.C. 29. Oct 09

Letter to the President. Copy sent issued. No. 3708/2765 dy. 31st October 09

BR

no misgivings on the subject, and there will presumably be no clashing between them and the Municipal authorities, so that proceedings may be confirmed, and the Budget amended accordingly? Rees 9/5

Mr Mc 15/5/

Asst. Rees 15/5

Drafted Ale 16/5/55

Issue. Rees 17/5

From the above Note I will be Sure that the transfer of the Military upkeep of the Roads in the C. in Ch. be made to the Municipality with the Consent of the C in Chief and Sanctioned by the President (Sr James Hall).

From the Correspondence received with the President's letter No. 37 of

Ltr 73. ap. 91 (Which crossed the Resident writing to me) it will be seen that ~~it~~ whilst a reference to this office the Military roads in the Ltchin Lane have been retransferred to the Military Dept: by the Municipal authorities but with the consent of the C. in Chief.

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In Nov: last (1890) the Resident asked the Exec: Engr: Daily Works Dt to arrange for the payment in April May of each year of the Daily Grant of Rs. 6200/- and in addressing the Superintg: Engr: on the subject the Resident said if this could not be done it would be better for the Daily Works Dept to resume charge of the roads. The Resident in reply was informed that the Daily Dept. was prepared to pay ~~Rs~~ 3000 on the 1st May & Rs 3300 later

on, when the Engl Govt Lahiffe
with the maintenance of the
Roads

There seems appear to be very reasonable
but the Commr evidently did not
think to go on receipt of the
communication they received, if
they could not get the whole grant
at once they would not have anything
to do with the roads: - the Brig Dept.
was accordingly asked to take
charge of the roads from
the 1st April 1891. - this transfer
if not already effected is probably
taking place just now

Case submitted for favour of order

HL 15.4.91

(Continuation of Note or Precis)

Resd re encumbrances found & Resd re MC regarding Kutty Road -

Note that the original transfer of Kutty Road & Kumpalgoda was made in March 88 based on road control ord. roads ordin. Kumbs limits exist but the encroachments after Sept. Insp. were carried out under direct correspondence between Resident Mc's & P.W.D. Madras through Govt Govt Resd's Dion after arrangements had been agreed & Resd. Govt & asked sanction of Resd. for what was wanted. Note also that previous to the transfer the cost of upkeep was at rate of 368/- per mile while Govt undertook Kumbs at Rs 300/- per mile & then many kumbs below that failure to keep the roads in good order.

6. Ord Ser: 1c2

In the present case of retransfer & Kutty below of the roads. Resd. upheld Govt carried on advised correspondence with P.W.D. Kutty below as in case of transfer but as the arrangements for retransfer having been completed hon. writers instructed & Govt asked sanction.

Reference Col Donkin No 2669 of 30 Dec 91 & Resd Insp. I
forward herewith the Communication under which the maintenance of the Hill Roads in Bangalore has been undertaken & the Municipality have charged. I must refer to absence of definite rules as to Road Control on Roads in Hill limits.

The Municipality have evidently taken charge (i) of the Communications after having completed repairs of these roads (ii) at the request of Hill Stn. Resd & Board the lump sum of Rs 6300 at the commencement of the year.

Before any decision is arrived at as to transfer of these roads & Hill Stations I recommend that consideration be given to the question how far we should support the Municipality in the upkeep & repair of Cantonment roads & Hill Roads of the Stations, such action undoubtedly affecting Defence Funds and

page 1. of 3 pp.

(Continuation of Note or Precis.)

In the case of Ramanathan
have been threatened. In view
of the attempt on the life
of Sir Ponnambalam & Sir
Pon. Arunachalam being kept in better order
& road being kept in better order
Govt
Pandit Nehru should be asked to
that these arrangements
that have been made without
reference Wire self
Jaffna
16/4/21. WG

The question we have is one
of principle & should have
been referred to the Residency
& the President. I will
write to Jaffna & the
Agent & try if I can
get the business settled
amicably If not the Municipality must get out of it
best they can

OM
30/4/

File for time
WG 1/5/21.

With letter N. 162 dated the 21st May 1891 the President Municipal Commission forwards for such orders as the Resident may deem fit a copy of the resolution of the Municipal Committee relating to the proposed retransfer of the Military roads in the Cantonment to the Military Works Division.

From the Correspondence forwarded with Pl. N-9 it would seem that the Municipality first mooted the question of this retransfer but now they are of opinion that it is questionable to do this without specific orders of the Madras Govt through the Resident. The Committee now further think that dual control is objectionable & will give rise to difficulties.

Mr O'Shaughnessy has written a note on roads, which has been forwarded to this Office with the letter under reference

Please see Resident's orders on the preceding page of this note. Sir Oliver St John may have addressed Col. Tanner on the subject & his reply may be awaited

Submitted for orders

H.S.
25.5.91

Shown written to Col Tanner,

(Continuation of Note or Precis)

Resolved

Read minutes of meeting held 5th Inst. Communication from Secretary Public Roads Board re Contribution for road at Carnamah. Letter from Mr. Hall Yerecoin re taking back the road. Mr Carter's allegations unsupported. Read letter from Secretary Public Roads Board re claim of Mr Hall for compensation for resumption of road. Claim not entertained. Letter to be written to Mr Hall to that effect.

Order Vote No. 1144 of 1890 Encl. 4 Sec. 7

Read letter from Secretary Public Roads Board re claim of Mr Hall for compensation for resumption of road. Claim not entertained. Letter to be written to Mr Hall to that effect.

Read letter from Secretary Public Roads Board re Contract with Mr Hall for repair of road from Mp 91 to Mp 91 1/2 Mr Hall having been ordered to take over the road from 1st Mp 91

Instructions issued to Contractor to proceed with repairs in accordance with Specification & Agreement. Contractor to be informed that no further claim for compensation will be entertained.

Read letter from Secretary Public Roads Board re Contract with Mr Hall for repair of road from Mp 91 to Mp 91 1/2 Mr Hall having been ordered to take over the road from 1st Mp 91

Instructions issued to Contractor to proceed with repairs in accordance with Specification & Agreement. Contractor to be informed that no further claim for compensation will be entertained.

contractors Shelton Mr Coulthard
with keep the road in same condition
as before or what Bradshaw work ever and
likely to have in future subject of
Rates of Assessment as the road have
been and kept up & on Contract only
Complained about

Thereby my Agreement of
the week ending 4th Nov Bradshaw
work. Postponed taking over the
Road for three months because
we can obtain from Mr. Coulthard
such terms they are agreeable
to keep in the Roads In arriving
at these Resolutions Cullerne Co. &
Stern we except have a Contract
in which both Bradshaw work &
Ourselves in capacity of Ratepayers
& Stern Ex Engr) to make
adopted A sudden rupture of
a contract to ascertain right or wrong
& the Municipality have (Stern)
they have only hearsay Blame
for which I have cause for complaint
at the Resolutions with which
being have been ordered Rates
on the Road please read
Council Engineer note -

Ald 2/6/81.

(Continuation of Note or Precis)

Do letter Municipal Treasurer dt 31 May 91

Rec'd

Municipal explaining matters Municipality will have to keep the roads and

Remarks & Recommt-

The roads were evidently in good order when taken over & the Municipality have now no road rates They are under the Council who must take care of them himself & means of M.C.D. Think it a very good thing the Municipality has Rates such charge"

H. L. P. 3/6/91.

Rec'd

Please send draft Notice

Agree Ad 4/6/91

Approved

H.W.C. 5/6/91

A. N. 11 Letter No 1741-276. Sdy 9-6-91 issued to the President

A. N. 13 With letter N. 301 dated 29th June 1891, the President Municipal Commissioners (Northern Districts) forwards a statement of expenditure incurred on military roads the payment of which is now refused by the Military Works department.

The amount in question

is Rs 1562-12-7: made up of four items
of which explanation is given in the
last column of the statement.

An annual grant was hitherto
made by the Military dept for maintenance
of these roads & the excess outlay in one year
may have hitherto been met from the next
year's grant or so The sudden withdrawal
of the grant is it is believed, the direct
cause for the present application

Strictly speaking, the Municipality
cannot as a matter of right claim the
amount under reference. But as the
~~Military Works Authorities cannot refuse payment~~
of a charge actually incurred (
The Sailasundrum road being repaired
at a cost of about Rs 900/- on the urgent appli-
cation of the Offg Commanding 3rd Regt. A.C) should
not be refused, the matter may if approved,
be referred to the Chief Engineer Madras
Command, Military Works for Consideration
Submitted for favour of orders

H.S.
1-7-21

Intimation of the Resumption
by the Mily Dept: of their

(Continuation of Note or Precis)

Roads, having been pass^d by the Municipality on the 1st April 1891, the Mily Dept. have jointly liable for the proposed Diversion on the Roads prior & that date.

Ref. VII. 91

~~Dept letter to Mily Dept. enclosing details of Diversion and the Diversion resumption of the Roads by Mily. pursuit~~

Read^d re Ser 13 & Enclosure: Hon Treasurer would give Municipality Favourable consideration because (i) they might not have sufficient funds from the allotment for Mily Roads (ii) Retransfer of the Roads to Mily Dept might have been anticipated as the Resolution passed by M.C in Dec 90 (vide Ser 7. P.10)

M.C. Engr that favourable determination were submitted to 30 Nov. 91. (Ser 7 p 13) and that the Expenditure had been incurred in the interests of the Mily Roads.

Taking above as a reasonable Excuse. we might forward

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the matter was that Mr. Cumming the Chamberlain expended the money before the work was completed

Inverness Coll 3/7

We can only say that the Islandmen road was repaired in consequence of urgent Military requisitions & that it is the custom to pay the current outlay of the Municipality in the following year and that as the work was done for the Military Dept it strikes us quite fair that the Military Dept should pay for it as a special case altho' it may be contrary to the rules of the Military Dept which only came in force on 1st April 91

* of course to

Edwd 4/7/91

Draft returned

Coll 4/7/91

Dft issued No. 20818 the 9. Inst. Sc. 14

Sc. 15

To reply the Ch. Insp. reading Command (Letter No. 5956 of the 14 Inst.) intimating the acceptance of the Municipal demand & Expd the Lieut. Insp. Bangalore & Lieut. instructed to pay the same claimed.

Also close the copy of the Ch. Insp's letter noting for the Record Dft Lett'd.

17. VII. 91

Issue Dft & transmit up for Revd. information & his return from Inspn

Coll 17/7

Revd. Lieut. Lieut. 15th

Coll 31/7

Inverness - Sl. No. 16.

Head Quarters, Bangalore Dt

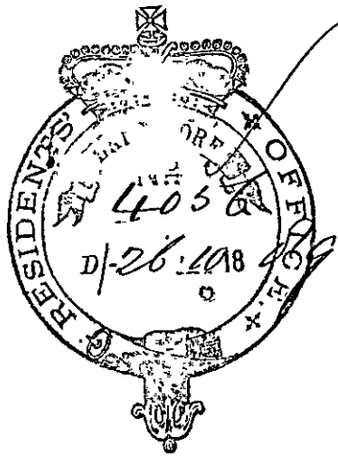
No. 687 Bangalore 25th October 89

From

Brigadier-Genl H. De. Burgoyne CB
Commanding Bangalore Dn.

To

The Assistant to the Resident
in Mysore,
Bangalore.



Sir,

I would desire to bring to the notice of the Resident, the state of the public roads at the present time in this Cantonment.

2.— Although the matter is not a purely military one, Yet having regard to the interests of the Government transport under my command as well as representing the considerable military community in this Station, I think that I am justified in bringing it prominently to the notice of the Resident.

3.— I would point out too that a sum of Rs 3,050 is credited

to

& the Municipality from the Military Budget Yearly for the upkeep of Cantonment roads.

4:— I would beg to add my personal experience that the roads in the Cantonment have never been in such a State of disrepair since I first came to this Station in 1884, and indeed I have never seen a Cantonment in India in which the condition of the roads is so much neglected.—

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
J Hurd Maj D.S.Offr
for Br Genl:
Commanding Bangalore Dn

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 4

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

No. 3708 Encs.
2765

To

Dated 31st October 1889

The President
Municipal Commrs
C. M. Station

Sir.

I am directed to enclose for your information a copy of the marginally cited letter from the Brigadier General Commanding the Bangalore District bringing to notice the present state of the public roads in the Station.

2. I am to say that the Resident agrees with General Bengough that the roads

No. 6879. dtd 25 Oct. 89

Lane not been kept in
a proper state of repair

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Ht. 29. Oct 64

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

FILE No. 276 OF 1895

From

No.

Dated

Received

Subject.

Notes and Orders.

I have reason to believe that the President of the Municipal Committee has been carrying on a correspondence with the Military Works Dept. at Army Head-quarters on the subject of the contribution for the upkeep of the military roads in the station. Has any communication been received from President on the subject? If so, please send me file. If not, please call on him for papers.

April 6-91.

O.M.

Nothing in office - Off for approval and
4/6/4

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 6

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

No. 1071
276.5

Dated 10-4 — 191

To

The President
Municipal Comm:
C. M. Ch.

Sir

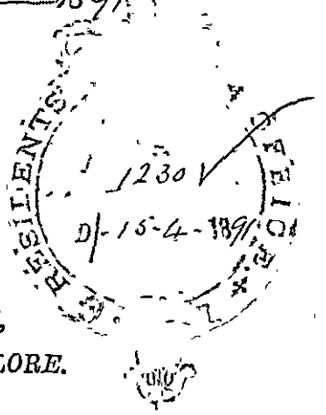
I am directed by the Governor
Chiefs
~~that you will submit for~~
~~the Secretary's information~~ (2)
~~a copy of~~ any Correspondence
~~that may have recently~~
passed between you and
the Duty Works Dept at
Army Head Quarters on
the subject of the Con-
servation in the upkeep
of the Duty roads on the
Station of ~~Fort~~ Fort
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
for
Asst Resident

10.6.4.91

No. 3771 Secy

CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION
BANGALORE,

Municipal Office, 15 April 1891



From

THE PRESIDENT,
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
CIVIL & MILITARY STATION,
BANGALORE.

Rej. date 16/4/91

To

The Assistant to the Resident in Mysore,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

Referring to your letter No. 1071/276.5, dated 10th April 1891, I have the honor to forward, herewith, a copy of correspondence with the Military Works Department, on the Subject of the Contribution for the maintenance of the Military Roads in the station, for the information of the Resident.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

Thimmaya

President

WD

No. 590.

From

The President Muni. Commission
Civil & Military Station
Bangalore.

To

The Executive Engineer
Military Works Division
Bangalore.

Dated 15th November 1890.

Sir

I have the honor to invite his attention to the Communications marginally noted and to request an early payment of Rs 6300/- being the grant by the Madras Government for the maintenance of Military Roads in the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore for the year 1890-91.

I have &c.
(Sd) H. W. Magrath
President.

No.

* No. 427, dated 3 September 1890.
443 — " — 9 — " — 1890.
510 — " — 9 October 1890.

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No 4077

Executive Engineer's Office
Bangalore Division
Military Works.

From

The Executive Engineer
Bangalore Division
Military Works

To

The President, Munl Commission
Cantonment, Bangalore.
dated 19 November 1870.

Sir,

With reference to your no: 592, of the 15 Instant, I have the honor to inform you that the grant for the maintenance of Military Roads in the station will be paid early in December.

I have &c
(Sd) H. S. Andrews Speed
Capt. R E.

No.

No. 621

From

The President, Mun.l Comm.
Com.n station Bangalore.

To

The Executive Engineer
Military Works Div.n
Bangalore.

Dated 21 November 1890.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to arrange in future, for the payment to this Municipality in the month of April or May of the yearly grant of Rs 6300 for repair of Military Roads in the Com.l station of Bangalore to admit of road repairs being put in hand at the beginning of the working season. i.e. in the month of June.

I have &c

(Sd) H. S. Magrath.
President

No.

No 630.

From

The President, Munl Commrs
Cantonment, Bangalore.

To

Colonel Lonkin R.E.
Superintending Engineer
Military Works
Ootacamund

dated 25th November 1870.

Sir,

I have the honour to bring to your notice that it has been the practice, heretofore, to pay over to this Municipality early, in the beginning of the official year, the yearly grant of Rs 6300, for repairing the Military Roads in the Civil Station of Bangalore but the Executive Engineer, Military Works Division, Bangalore has this year delayed payment, notwithstanding that he has been repeatedly

applied to by me for its early payment

2 & 3 Erable road repairs being carried out during the working season, i.e, the first quarter of the official year I have to request that you will be so good as to instruct the Executive Engineer to place at the disposal of the Municipality the sanctioned grant during the months of April or May in each year, otherwise the Municipality will not be in funds to undertake the repair of these roads

3. I may add that, if there is any objection to this course it would be better for the Military Works Department to assume charge of these Military roads - it was only to suit the convenience of the former Superintending Engineer (Colonel Burton) that

this Municipality acquiesced in his request to repair these roads for the Madras D. P. W.

I have &c

(Sd) H. M. S. Magrath.

President.

No. 7285.

Chief Engineer's Office
Madras Command,
Military Works.

From

The Chief Engineer
Madras Command
Military Works

To

The President, Mund. Commrs
Cantonment, Bangalore

Dated Fort St. George the 8 December 1890.

Sir,

With reference to your
No. 630, dated 25 November 1890
regarding the payment of the
Zilla grant for the repair
of

of the Military Roads in Banga-
lore, I have the honor to
forward for your information
a copy of a letter No 4340,
dated 4 Instant, from the Executive
Engineer, Bangalore Division, and
to state that I am prepared to
pay Rs 3000/ on the 1st May, and
Rs 3,200/ later, when the Executive
Engineer is entrusted with the
Maintenance of the roads
2. I request your acceptance
of this arrangement.

I have &c

(Sd) W. Tomkins
Lt Col: R.E.
Chief Engineer, Madras Command

Office of the Chief Engineer, Madras
Command, Military Works.
Octacamund, 8 December 1870

Copy of letter from the Exec: Engineer
Bangalore Division, Military Works,
to the Ch: Engineer, Madras Command
Military Works, No 4340,
dated 4 December 1870.

With reference to your letter

No. 7081 of the 2nd December, forwarding Copy of letter from President Muni. Comm. Bangalore, I have the honour to report that it is not the case that hitherto the yearly grant of Rs 6300 has been paid over to the Municipality at the Commencement of the official year.

2. Whether the Contribution in full should be paid early each official year I leave for your decision

I would recommend that one half be paid over early and the other half as soon as the Executive Engineer is satisfied that the Military Roads are being kept in decent order. If the full amount is paid at once, it is tantamount to acknowledging that in our opinion the roads are being maintained in proper order, and it rules us of the

the power of Effective remonstrance.

3. With reference to para 3 of the President's letter, the roads were given over to the charge of the Municipality to avoid dual Control over roads within Municipal limits and not to suit the Convenience of the then Superintending Engineer.

Abstract of Proceedings of the Mun. Comm^rs for the Civil Station of Bangalore, dated 20 December 1870.

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17. Read Letter no: 7285, dated 8 December 1870, from the Chief Engineer, Military Works, with reference to the payment of Contribution for the maintenance of Military Roads in the Cantonments

Resolved. That the full amount of the Contribution for the Maintenance of

Military Metalled Roads (£6300) be placed in the hands of the President in one sum, at the Commencement of each official Year and that if the Chief Engineer, Military Works, is not willing to accede to this arrangement, the Board request that the Military Department resume charge of their roads from 1st April next.

Carried nem: con:

(Sgd) Thos Maggratto.
President

No 731.

From
The President & Mil. Comm.
Cen Stn Bangalore.

To
The Chief Engineer
Madras Command
Military Works
Octacamund

Dated 22 December 1870.

Sir,

With reference to your

Letter No. 7285, dated 8 December 1890,
I have the honor to forward
an extract from the Proceedings
of a meeting of the Municipal
Commissioners, dated 20th
December 1890, para 17, and
in accordance therewith
to inform you that unless
the yearly grant of Rs 6300
for the Maintenance of the
Military Roads can be
placed at the disposal
of the Municipality in one
lump sum at the commence-
-ment of each official year,
the Board request that the
Military Department
will resume charge of their
roads from 1st April next.

I have &c

(Sd) H. N. Magrath.
President.

No.

No: 2669

Chief Engineer's Office
Madras Command,
Military Works

From

The Chief Engineer
&c &c

To

The President, Mun. Comm.
Cen. Station Bangalore.
Ootacamund 30 March 1891.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No: 731, dated 22nd December 1890, I have the honor to inform you that His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief considers that as the circumstances under which the maintenance of the Military Roads in Bangalore were undertaken by the Municipality have changed, it would be advisable that their maintenance should revert to the Military Works Department from and after the

the 1st Proxino. I beg therefore to request that you will make the necessary arrangements for this being done in communication with the Executive Engineer, Bangalore.

I have &c.

Low Lowdiin. Lt Col R.E.
Chief Engr Madras Command
Military Works.

No. 1210.

Executive Engineer's Office
Bangalore Division
Military Works.

From

The Executive Engineer
Bangalore Division
Military Works.

To

The President, Mil. Commrs
Cantonment, Bangalore,
Dated 6 April 1891.

Sir,

With reference to letter No. 2669, from the Chief Engineer, Madras Command, to your address,

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I have the honor to state that I am in receipt of letter no. 2, dated 4 April from the Exec: Engineer of the Municipality requesting me to take over the roads as soon as possible & Enclosing

(i) a list of tools
(ii) a statement of amounts due on these roads.
(iii) a statement of materials at site, and
(iv) a list of Establishment

2. The roads will be taken over as soon as contracts for the supply of materials are effected. In the meantime, I beg that your Executive Engineer may be authorized to effect such repairs in Military Roads as are absolutely necessary.

3. The tools purchased from the Military Grant, it is requested, be sent to this office.

4. Your Executive Engineer asks that a sum of Rs 1562.12.7 be

he remitted you on account of Excess Expenditure on Military Roads.

Out of this total, a sum of Rs 840.14.9 is for repairs to Nellasandra Road, which the Executive Engineer remarks is a special work requiring special allotment.

Beg to invite your attention to the statement forwarded with your No. 730, of 22 December. The cost of the repairs to this road is therein shown chargeable against the grant of Rs 6300 paid.

Should you be of opinion that the excess named above viz, Rs 1562.12.7 ought to be paid by this Department, I request that a statement with full details be forwarded to this office.

In the Progress Report forwarded with your above-quoted letter a charge is shown for repairs of Kullahalli Road. This road is not a Military Road, and the charge therein

shown together with other charges for the following months should be eliminated from any claim made on the Military Works Department.

5. The Materials at site will be taken over in due course.

6. The Establishment is not required by this Department.

I have &c
(Sgd) H. S. Andrews Speed
Capitan R. E.

Copies.

H Thomas Mills

President

No. 162 x 2 En 8

CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION
BANGALORE

Municipal Office, 21st May 1891

From

THE PRESIDENT,
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
CIVIL & MILITARY STATION,
BANGALORE.

To

The Assistant to the Resident in Mysore,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

A-1 In continuation of this office letter no: 37 dated 15 April 1891, forwarding copies of the existing correspondence relating to the proposed retransfer of the Military roads in the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore to the Executive Engineer Military Works Division; I have the honor to forward for such orders as the Resident may deem fit the enclosed Resolution of the Municipal Commissioners ... dated

dated 25th April 1891, together with a Memo by the Municipal Executive Engineer, giving a history of the first construction of the roads to the Municipality.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient

J. McDonagh

President.

W.D.

Abstract of Proceedings of an Ordinary Meeting of the Municipal Commissioners dated 25th April 1891.

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14. Read — Letter no: 2669 dated 30 March 1891 from the Chief Engineer, Military Works, requesting that all Military Roads in the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore may be transferred to the Executive Engineer, Military Works, Bangalore with effect from 1st April 1891

Recorded, but the Board are of opinion that considering the circumstances under which the Military Roads were originally handed over to this Municipality by order of the Madras Government no. 647 dated 17 March 1885, it is questionable whether

whether the Board can hand them back without specific orders by the same authority, through the British Resident.

The Board are also of opinion, that the dual Control of Civil and Military Roads is objectionable, and will give rise to the difficulties which originally caused their transfer to the Board

Copy

Thomas Wallis

President.

WD

22.3.91

Imam 21.5.91

Civil and Military Station—Municipality

Bangalore.

Note on roads.

(1) Prior to 1862 the roads in Bangalore were in charge of 3 seperate departments, namely, The Executive Engineer D. P. W. (Mysore Commission) the Superintendent of Police and the Military Engineer.

(2) On the formation of the municipality in the year 1862, the roads then in charge of the Superintendent of Police and some of the roads in charge of the D. P. W. were handed over to the Municipality. The other roads remaining in the charge of the D. P. W. called Suburban roads were handed over to the Municipality with an annual grant for their upkeep in 1869-1872, some slight alterations took place subsequently by transfer and retransfer up to the year 1882. The mileage of roads in charge of the Municipality in that year was

Municipal ___ 65 miles

Suburban ___ 5½ miles

Total ___ 70½ miles,

and except an addition to Suburban roads of 2 miles formed in 1890-91 no change has taken place since.

(3) A proposal was made in 1874 to address the

the Madras Government in view to have the Military roads transferred to the Municipality also because it was considered for many reasons highly desirable that all roads within Municipal limits should be under one controlling authority, but for some unexplained reason nothing more was done then

(4) a somewhat similar proposal was made in 1879 this was referred for opinion to the Military Department and to the Madras D.P.W. The Military Department considered the transfer "most desirable" as the system of divided responsibility was "unsatisfactory and neither efficient nor economical" The Superintending Engineer P.W. Dep was however opposed to the proposed transfer on the ground that he could not reduce the D.P.W. establishment at Bangalore, even if he was relieved of charge of the roads, and this proposal was put aside also.

(5) Colonel Burton R.E. Executive Engineer Madras D.P.W. proposed in December 1884 to move the Madras Government to give over the Military roads to the charge of the Municipality with an annual grant for their upkeep ("if the Municipal Commissioners are willing to accept"). This proposal was made

made on Colonel Burton's own motion it was approved by the Commander in chief and sanctioned by the Madras Government (G.O. dated 17th March 1885 No 647 P.). The transfer took place from 1st April 1885, the length of roads transferred was 21 miles and the grant for their upkeep was 6,300 Rs or 300 Rs per mile. The acceptance of the proposal by the Municipal Boards was sanctioned by the Resident in Mysore on the 18th May 1885.

(6) Colonel Ross Thompson R.E. Executive Engineer Bangalore in 1888-89 demanded extensive renewals and restoration of roads in that year, some of these roads were handed over to the Municipality in a semi abandoned state (E.G. the Neelasundrum and Lower Agram Roads). It was pointed out to Colonel Thompson that the Government grant for the roads in question was for maintenance (i.e) ordinary repairs, and that it did not include provision for extensive renewals of metal or for reformation of partly abandoned roads Colonel Thompson insisted that the cost of these works estimated at about 15,000 Rs should be met from the ordinary grant of Rs 6,300 per annum and he refused to receive or to consider Estimates that

that were forwarded to him for some of these special works he desired to have carried out.

(7) Mr. de Winton Executive Engineer Madras D.P.W. succeeded Colonel Thompson at Bangalore about July 1889, this officer refused to pay the grant assigned to the Municipality in the usual time and manner, that is to say at the beginning of the official year he threatened to carry out works for which the Municipality was in no way responsible and to deduct their cost from the municipal funds in his hands, while the tone of his correspondence with the President was to say the least of it most discourteous. The question of the delay in paying the Government grant was referred to Colonel Burton R.E. the Superintending Engineer, and Mr de Winton was instructed by that officer to pay the amount at once in one sum as usual.

(8) The Public Works in Bangalore were transferred to the Military Works Department from the 1st April 1890, and Captain Andrews Speed R.E. of the Military Works Department took charge of them from Mr. de Winton. Captain Andrews Speed

delayed

delayed the payment of the grant for Military roads even longer than Mr. de Minton did. He paid the grant for 1890-91 after repeated applications for it, only on the 5th December 1890, and he recommended that in future only half the amount of the grant should be paid early in the year and the other half "as soon as the Executive Engineer is satisfied that the Military roads are kept in decent order".

(9) The Chief Engineer Military Works Madras Command approved the recommendation and requested the Municipal Board to accept this arrangement. The Municipal Board declined to do so, and resolved that if the full amount of the grant was not placed at the disposal of the President at the commencement of each official year as arranged in 1885, the Military Department would be requested to resume charge of the roads from the 1st April 1891.

(10) The Engineer in chief was apparently unwilling to comply with the request of the Municipal Board in regard to the payment of the grant at the beginning of

of the official year, but he accepted the alternative proposal to resume charge of the roads, he obtained the sanction of Government in the Military Department to take back the roads on the ground that the municipality "expressed a desire to cancel the arrangements of 1885" and he ordered the Executive Engineer Military Works, Bangalore to take charge of them from the 1st April 1891. The Executive Engineer was not prepared to do so and he requested the Municipality to continue in charge until he had made arrangements to have them taken over by his department, these arrangements have not apparently been completed yet, and the roads are still in the charge of the municipal Establishment.

(11) The Municipal Board have in the meanwhile discovered or apprehend some irregularity in having so far discussed the matter with the Engineer in chief Military Works without reference to the Resident, and it has now resolved to hold the conclusion of any arrangements with the Military Works Department on the subject in abeyance pending the Resident's decision.

decision.

(12) The raison de être of the present state of affairs, is due entirely to the unreasonable demands and to the unauthorised proceedings of some Executive Officers of the P. W. D., the only demands these officers could have made on the municipality in regard to the expenditure of the small contribution made by Government for the upkeep of the roads are what might be made upon themselves in similar circumstances as provided for in chapter IX of the P. W. Code of the Government of India. They have in the present case gone far beyond these provisions and made it impossible for the President of the Municipal Board to accept without prejudice to the respect due to himself and to his office, the proposed conditions by which the payment of the grant would be continued.

(13) And as to the grounds for proposing to impose these conditions namely the alleged failure of the municipality to keep the roads in "decent order" it is

true

true that complaints of the bad state of the roads were somewhat general in 1888-89, but these complaints have for some time ceased to be made. The Municipal establishment has given "Military" roads special attention lately, the Government grant has been supplemented by Municipal funds for their upkeep, and the roads are in a fairly passable condition now, but it is impossible to put them in what could be called thoroughly "decent order" out of the Government grant of 300 Rs a mile for their upkeep. The roads have been entirely neglected in the matter of periodical renewal of metal and a special grant is indispensably necessary for this purpose in accordance with the rules and practice of the P. W. D.

(14). The following statement shews the expenditure on Military Roads in Bangalore in 10 years ending

ending March 1891.

Year	Expenditure on works	Expenditure overestablishment probable	Total	Amount of Grant	Difference between expenditure + grant	Remarks.
	By the Madras Public Works Department.					
1880-81	6868	1717 (a)	8585	8585		(a) at 25 %.
81-82	8015	2003	10,018	10,018		
82-83	6928	1732	8660	8660		
83-84	9139	2284	11,423	11,423		
84-85	not given					
Total	30,950	7736	38,686	38,686		
Yearly averages for 21 miles	7737	1934	9671	9671		
Do. for one mile	368	92	460	460		
	By the C & M. Station Municipality					
1885-86	6302	945 (b)	7247	6300	+ 947	(b) @ 15 %.
86-87	6309	946	7255	6300	+ 955	
87-88	6378	956	7334	6300	+ 1034	
88-89	3583	537	4120	6300	- 2180	- This amount expended balance was carried forward and expended in the next year
89-90	9262	1389	10,651	6300	+ 4351	
90-91	6752	1012	7764	6300	+ 1464	
Total	38586	5785	44371	37,800	6571	
Yearly average for 21 miles	6431	964	7395	6,300	1095	
Do for 1 mile	306	46	352	300	+ 53.	

(15) The above statement shews that during the 4 years for which accounts are given of expenditure by the P.W.D. on these roads, it amounts for work done to 23% and including establishment to 53% more than the grant allotted to the Municipality for their upkeep, and if in such circumstances, the roads deteriorated under the management of the Municipality which is questionable it should not be matter for much surprise or for serious fault finding. There is moreover another important circumstance which should not be lost sight of in any comparison of this kind and that is the extraordinary rise in the price of labor and consequently in the price of materials of late years, this amounts in the case of labor to 30% and in case of materials to 50% more than it was 10 years ago.

(16) The Military Officers do not say that a yearly grant of 300 Rs. a mile is sufficient for the necessary renewals of metalling as well as for ordinary repairs, what they say is that the Municipality agreed to execute both works

works for this amount and that it is bound to fulfill that agreement. The Municipality contend on the other hand that it made no such agreement, and that the Military Officers with whom the transfer of the roads to the Municipality was arranged, had no intention of making renewals as well as ordinary repairs a condition of that arrangement.

(17) The terms of the agreement on which the Madras Government sanctioned the transfer of the roads to the Municipality are as follows.

"The Municipality of Bangalore have agreed with the Executive Engineer P.W.D. that they will maintain the roads in the Contonment at the rate of 300 Rs per mile per annum" and the question now turns on the meaning of the word "maintain".

The meaning of the word as applied to roads is perfectly well known to every Engineer of any experience in the Government service, to be ordinary repairs and not renewals of metal The Government in the P.W.D. have always

always recognised and in fact enforced this distinction. For instance, it is laid down in the P. W. Code of the Government of Madras Chap. X Sec. 1483 (Cantonment roads) that "a fixed annual grant will be given by the Government in aid of the maintainance and repair of roads - not including renewal of metal" so that the Military Engineer's interpretation of the agreement with the Municipality is entirely wrong, and their demands for renewal of metal with the grant for maintainance has no authority and no justification whatever. There is another standing order of Government which rules that the metalling of roads should be renewed every 3 years, and if this rule is applied to the Military roads in Bangalore we should have 7 miles ($\frac{21}{3}$) renewed every year, this would cost allowing for the usual coating of metal 3" thick 3,000 Rs a mile or 21,000 Rs per annum for renewals alone while the grant for upkeep is only 6,300 Rs, Knowing all

this

this as the Military Engineers must do, their attitude towards the Municipality is most strange and unaccountable.

(18) It has been explained that the sanction of the Madras Government in the Military Department for the retransfer of the roads has been obtained on the supposition that the Municipality desires to cancel the arrangement of 1885; but the Municipality has really expressed no desire to that effect, and has never intended to do so. It desires on the contrary to adhere to that arrangement, but it says that if the arrangement is broken in one most material respect, it had better be cancelled altogether.

19 It must be remembered moreover that the arrangement of 1885 was not proposed by the Municipality, it was proposed by the Military Engineer to suit the convenience of his own department perhaps to some extent but principally on public grounds and in the public interests. The Municipality accepted the proposal in no doubt a similar spirit in order to do away with the generally condemned system

system of divided responsibility and control of the roads, which then existed and which in the words of Genl. Payne was "unsatisfactory" and neither efficient nor economical.

(20) The Municipality has fulfilled its part in this arrangement to the best of its ability and to the fullest extent possible with the small grant given by Government for the purpose supplemented from time to time on emergency as it has been by such small sums as could be given from its own very limited recources, and without charging anything for the services of its establishment, it feels therefore that it deserves even as regards the past more favorable consideration on the part of the Government than the Engineer in Chief Military Works seems disposed to grant and as regards the future the Engineer in Chief's proposals would if carried out be most detrimental to the interests of the Municipality and of the Public in general.

(21) The proposal even so far as it has gone, namely engagement of Contractors for materials by the Executive Engineer Military

Military Works has resulted in an increase of 8% on the cost of materials and there is every likelihood that this will be raised still higher before long. There will be competition for labor and no doubt its cost will be largely increased also. The Government will not feel this increase, but it will be simply ruinous to the Municipality with its limited resources and income.

(22) The Municipality have lately incurred heavy expenses in the purchase of a Steam Road Roller, Road watering carts and other appliances in view to the better formation and repair, es= pecially of Military roads, and if the Military roads are now taken away suddenly and without notice the use of these appliances will be greatly curtailed and the time and money spent in getting them together will be mostly wasted and lost.

Ballyclare
20th 5. 91

P. Shanahan
Executive Engr.

C & M. Station Municipality
Bangalore

Note on Military Roads

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 9

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

No.

To

Dated *189*

Colonel Tuckin RE
Ch: Engr. Irrig Works
Ootacamund

Sir

Please refer to the correspondence between your Office & Resident Irrig Bungalow subject of the upkeep of Irrig Roads by the Municipality & thereby to your letter No 2669 of 30 Aug 97

The procedure adopted by the Resident in addressing Municipal Council was irregular as the question at issue was one of principle & should have been referred by the President & Extendent

The results that the Municipality have rather forced upon the Irrig Dept has necessitated a fresh

forward the Register of deeds
Contract as Mr Jones means they
the Long Road & cattle grown
back & the daily Mail

, ~~that~~ leaving for them
below ~~entered~~ fixed up last Sunday
after the Rendcut Rules
for weeds that he has
done

I took the matter up &
Sir O Stephen after one of his de
portures & Settle the recorded
action file Injunction & Sanction
action subject & by of Mrs ~~Settle~~ Set
& husband settled amicably

Old Wells Farm,
think the Court probable he did
not & he was pressed for time
that much more important
work & Mark of

Yours truly
WR

27/8/81

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31st May 1891

Dear Ramsbotham

Your d.o. of 26th I saw Sir Oliver St John here one evening and he mentioned the Bangalore roads matter as if there was some sort of quarrel between us and the Municipality and I explained to him there was nothing of the sort but he never wrote to me as he intended.

Perhaps the papers gave an impression that we take over the roads because the municipality would take over contributions in two instalments, this would be foolish, the M.W.D. prefers to repair its own roads in Bangalore as it does elsewhere this is the whole matter.

You will see from the papers the transfer was only made some <u>six</u> years ago & then on the <u>initiation of</u> the Supt Engr Colonel Burton on the

ground of the short-handed P.W.D. establish-
in Bangalore.

In 1891 we are in a position to
maintain our own roads and as Chief
Engineer the onus in chief to have
the transfer of 1885 cancelled.

As to dual control it is a myth there
is no dual control the municipality
maintains its roads & we ours.

Should it the said dual control
was not meant but two separate agencies
I have only to say that Bangalore is not
different in this respect from Agra, Meerut,
Rangoon & so except that there are
usually three agencies — the W.D. for
military roads in Cantonments — the P.W.D.
for Provincial roads leading in to Cantonments
and the municipality for other roads not
classed as military. In Rangoon the
roads are classed as above three
separate offices are in charge of them.

Perhaps you have noticed in driving

that the Bangalore military roads are not in good order.

I have it on record that some of the military roads have not been repaired by the municipality while in its charge.

I certainly object to any one but the Executive Engr M.W.D. having charge of our military Cantonment roads and I make no doubt that the S.E.M.W. will express the same opinion should the question be referred to the Govt of India — the M.W.D. is not under the Govt of Madras.

I take this opportunity of putting on record when I did not address the Resident the original order for the transfer came of course from the Govt of Madras to the Supdg Engr but since the beginning of 1890 the M.W.D. has been retained to Madras and I receive orders from the Cin C. In this case I communicated the Cin C's orders to the Municipality

which had previously addressed me. Had the orders issued from the Govt of Madras they would I daresay have been communicated to the Resident.

I remain

Sincerely yours

W W Jenkins

Read! This letter explains matters. Municipality will have to speak to Board accordingly. The file is returned 3/6.

The roads were evidently in good order when taken over by the Municipality and are now completely in bad order. They are under the Govt (who wants to take care of them himself by means of his W D & thinks it is a very good thing that the Municipality has to relinquish charge.

Hyps
3/6/71

SIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No.

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

No. 1741
276-5

Dated 9-6 — 189 1.

The Resident
Municipal Comm.

Sir —

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 162 of 21 May 1891 and enclosures on the subject of the transfer of the Daily Roads &c &c to the Military Works Depart.

Your letter corresponding forwarded with your letter No 37 of 13 Apl 91. the petition to hand back the Roads was laid before the Sanitary Committee and accepted by the Daily Works.

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The Sanitary Com is however now express a doubt whether the transfer can be made without the authority of the Govt of India through the Resident.

I accordingly am &c &c

Ser. E. A.

that recommended removal transfer
of the Kelly Roads to the Municipality
the position of the Quadrant Kelly
work with regard to the Cost of
Quadras has been changed
and the allowance of the Letter.
for handing back Kelly Roads
is not necessary and a
memorandum to the Chief Engr.
Kelly work about ten miles
of the Coal area communicated.
to on direct reference through the
Resident is unnecessary.

Re-regarding the difficulties
& Real Control by Municipality
pursuant to account the
officers have to pay that
in all the large Municipalities
and Cantonments in India
Municipal & Kelly Roads are
maintained under separate
Officers and the Resident
does not anticipate any

difficulties here funded such a cause.
but rather [illegible] advantage to the
roads which now be maintained
the municipality
at better repair & would relieve
only be relieved of much responsibility

M. W. No. 8 A.

No. 4728

~~SUPERINTENDING~~ Chief ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
Madras COMMAND, MILITARY WORKS.

THE ~~SUPERINTENDING~~ Chief ENGINEER,
Madras COMMAND, MILITARY WORKS,

The Resident
in Mysore.

Ootacamund, Dated 5th June 1891.

Public Works Department,
Military Works.

Enclosures 3

Sir,

In continuation of my Semi-Official letter of 31st ultimo regarding the Military Roads in Bangalore, I have the honor to enclose a Copy of my letter No. 4727 of this date to the President of the Municipal Commission.

2. I also enclose for your information a Copy of my letter No. 2669, dated 30 March 1891, to that officer and of Proceedings of Madras Government No. 1941 dated 4 April 1891, endorsed as the Quarter-master General's No. 755 M.W. dated 9 idem.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir—
Your most obedt. Servt.
W Tompkins Lt. Col. Engs
Chief Engineer Road Comp
Port

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Office of the Chief Engineer, Madras Command, Military Works.

Ootacamund, Dated, 5 June 1891

Copy of letter from the Chief Engineer Madras Command Military Works to the President Municipal Commission No. 4727, dated 5 June 1891.

(No. 4728 of 5-6-91) * M. W. D. *

x received on the evening of 3rd June.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 185 dated, 29 ultimo, enclosing a resolution by the Municipal Commission, dated 28 idem to the effect that "it is questionable whether the board can hand over the Military roads to the Military works Department without specific orders from the Government of Madras through the British Resident."

2. In reply I beg to inform you that from the 1st January 1890, the Military works Department was extended to the Presidency of Madras and that that Department is an Imperial one under the Government of India and not under the Government of Madras.

3. I further desire to bring to the notice

notice of the Commission that having directed the Executive Engineer to resume charge of the Military roads from the 1st April last I shall not be able to pay that body for any outlay they choose to incur on the Military roads after that date.

Office of the Chief Engineer, Madras Command, Military Works.

Ootacamund, Dated, 5th June 1891

Copy of letter from the Quarter Master General, Madras Army Ootacamund. to the Chief Engineer, Madras Command No. 755 mm. dated 9th April 1891

ARCHIVES ACCOMPANIMENT TO 4726 of 5-6-91 M. W. D.

The following is forwarded for information in continuation of this office letter No. 654 mm. of 26th March 1891.

No. 1941.

Government of Madras.

Military Department.

Ootacamund, the 4th April 1891.

Read the following:—

From the Quarter Master General to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated, Ootacamund, 26th March 1891, No. 655 mm intimating that His Excellency the Commander in Chief has sanctioned the Chief Engineer, Military Works, taking over the Military roads in the Station of Bangalore, from the Municipality and

Main.

maintaining them as a Military Charge from and after the 1st Proximo, the Municipality having expressed its desire to Cancel the Arrangement of 1885.

Order:— Approved.

"True Extract

(Signed) A. Kennedy Herbert Brigdr Genl.

Secretary to Government

Office of the Chief Engineer, Madras Command, Military Works.

Ootacamund, Dated, 5th June 1891.

Copy of letter from the Chief Engineer Madras Command Military Works.

to the President Municipal Commissioner Bangalore.

No. 2669, *dated* 30 March 1891.

ENGINEER, FIELD'S COMMD
ACCOMPANIMENT TO
No. 4728 dt. 6-6-91
M. W. D.

With reference to the Correspondence ending with your letter No. 731 dated 22nd December 1890, I have the honor to inform you that His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief considers, that, as the circumstances under which the maintenance of the Military Roads in Bangalore was undertaken by the municipality have changed, it is advisable, that their maintenance should revert to the Military Works Department from and after the 1st proximo, I beg therefore to request that you will make the necessary arrangements for this being done in communication with the Executive Engineer Bangalore.

OFFICE OF THE
2079
30-6-91
RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

No. 301 Civ.

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CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION
BANGALORE,

Municipal Office, 29 June 1891

From

THE PRESIDENT,
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
CIVIL & MILITARY STATION,
BANGALORE.

To

The Assistant to the Resident in Mysore,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit a statement of expenditure incurred by the Municipality on Military roads which the Military Works Department now refuse to pay.

2. The Expenditure was incurred in the bona fide interests of the Military Department, and in the belief that no hard and fast line

moved

would be drawn as to the
admission of charges for
works urgently required
and in the case of the Neila
Kundurun Road, undertaken
by the Special Request, and
on the repeated application
of the Military Department.
3. The Municipal Commissioners
anticipated some such
difficulty, as has now arisen,
in regard to the work, but,
in order to avoid anticipated
accidents to the men and
horses of the 3rd Madras Cavalry
who had to go over the road
almost daily I got the
Estimate for it sanctioned.
4. The Cost of the work
has

has not yet been paid,
it would form but a very
small item in the transac-
tions of the Military Works
Department, but small as
the amount is, it would
be a serious charge on the
very limited allotment for
Municipal Roads, and I
hope the Resident will be
pleased to address the Chief
Engineer M. W. D, and
induce him to re-imburse
this outstanding item to
the Municipality.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obt Servt

Thomas Walsh
President

WD

…ment of Expenditure by the Municipality on Military Roads, which the Military Works Department refuse to pay.

…y work	Expenditure			Explanation
…y Roads …s in 1890-91.	433	1	9.	This amount was Expended in excess of the grant (6300 Rs) for upkeep of Military Roads in 1890-91. The Excess Expenditure was actually required owing to the bad state into which the roads had fallen in the previous year. Similar excess expenditure had been paid by the Municipality almost yearly since it assumed charge of the Military roads, owing to the insufficiency of the grant, but no claim was made for its recoupment. The Excess for last year was only about 7 % of the grant. Such excess Expenditure occurs frequently on Imperial Works, and, as a rule, it is paid when proper explanation is given.
Why?				
…—	238	12	1	This amount represents the Expenditure incurred in March, the last month of the official year. Such Expenditure is paid, as a rule, in April, out of the grant for the Succeeding year. Intimation that the Military roads would be taken back by the Military Works Department was received only on the 1st April 1891, and the Municipality had no opportunity to stop this Expenditure, even if it was advisable to do so. The Engineer in Chief, Military Works, will not allow this charge to be paid from the current year's grant, on the ground that it should be paid from the grant for the previous year, under the Contract with the Municipality, which expired on the 31st March; but intimation that the Military Department would resume charge of the roads was given, the Expenditure would not have been incurred.
		1		
…drum Road	840	14	9	This work was undertaken on the repeated urgent application of the Officer Commanding 3rd Madras Cavalry, and of the Station Staff Officer. It is essentially a new work, and not a mere ordinary repair. The Executive Engineer, Military
	1512	12	7	

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of Work	Expenditure			Explanation.
	1512	12	7	Works paid for a Culvert on this road in the grant for upkeep, and he stated that the ... diture on the work itself may be admitted, but he now refuses to pay for it. If the Municipality supposed the payment would be refused, it would not have had the work executed, and the accidents to horses and men which the Military officers anti-cipated might, owing to the very bad state of the road, have occurred.
... excation for land	50			This appertains to the Neilamdaram Road work also. The Executive Engineer, Military Works intimated that the amount would be paid by the Treasury Officer according to Code rules, Vol: I, Chapter IX, para 23, but as the Compensation was fixed and paid by personal arrangement, and not according to the act for the acquisition of land, the code rules could not be applied.
~~Rs~~	1562	12	7	

Lt Military Station
Bangalore
the 29 June 1891

Thomapatti
President.

W.D.

No. 2081 / 276-5 Sn 2

1/1

FROM Capt. Shakespear

THE ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To The Chief Engineer
under Commissd.
Mily. Works Mysore

Dated Bangalore 9th July 1891

SIR,

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With reference to your letter
No. 4728 Dy. the 5 June 91,
regarding the Military Road
in the C. & M. Dn of Bangalore,
I am directed to enclose for
favourable consideration a copy
of a letter from the
Resident & Commandt Bang.
also, and of its enclosure
claiming a sum of Rs. 1562-12-
spent in excess of the
allotment of Rs. 6300 drawn

No. 301 Dy. the 29 June 1891

the year 1890-91, on the repairs
of Military roads.

2 In support of the claim I
am to observe that it has been
the invariable custom of the
Municipality to carry out during
a year such repairs as were
absolutely required, even when
the cost exceeded ~~the~~ the
allotment for that year
& allotments, anything in excess
being recouped from
the allotment of the following year

3. There can be no doubt that
the expenditure - payment of
which is now claimed - was
incurred bonâ fide in the
interests of the Mily. Dept. -
and in the case of the Kielkundum
road, at the urgent requisition
of the Mily authorities.

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(Continuation of Note for Precis)

4. In the circumstances the Resident hopes that the claim, which seems reasonable, will be admitted, and the charge treated as a special case although it may be contrary to the rules of the Daily. Dept: to debit against the grant of one year the expenditure that should have been taken against the grant of the previous year.

Agreed.

A. R. C.

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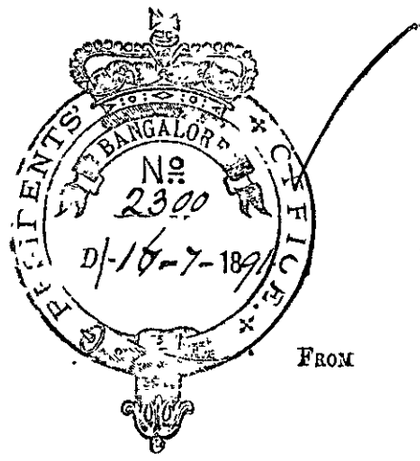
5. VII. 9°.

M. W. No. 8.



No. 5956

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
Madras COMMAND, MILITARY WORKS.

FROM

THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
Madras COMMAND, MILITARY WORKS,

TO The President
in Mysore.

Ootacamund 14th July 1891.

Public Works Department.
Military Works.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 2081/276.5 dated 9th Instant forwarding a claim for Rs 1,562-12-7 from the President Municipal Commission Bangalore, for repairs to Military roads in Bangalore.

2. I beg to inform you that under the explanation of the circumstances of the outlay now afforded by the President, I have desired the Executive Engineer Bangalore Division to pay the money in question.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedt Servt
W Gourlay Lt Col: R.E
Chief Engineer Mad

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 16

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

No. 2195
276·85

To

Dated 21st July 1891.

Returned

Sc 15

Sc 13.

HW.

Have the honour to
Acknowledge receipt of your
letter No. 5956 dy. 4th Aug 1891. from the Chief
Engineer Madras Command.

Copy forwarded to the Secretary
Municipal Com. Comm. Dpt. of
Bangalore for information
with reference to his letter No.
3014 dy. the 29 June 1891

Asst Resident

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